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Vote the Social-Democratic Ticket Tuesday!

THE TICKET UPON WHICH THE HOPE OF HUMANITY RESTS.

VOTE FOR WM. A. ARNOLD AND THE OTHER SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

THEY ARE TRIED MEMBERS OF YOUR CLASS AND YOU CAN DEPEND ON THEM!

CAST YOUR VOTE AGAINST THE GRAFTERS AND THE EXPLOITERS!

AGAINST ABSENTEE MAYORS AND PLAY-TIME MAYORS, AGAINST COPPER-MINE MAYORS OR GOLD-BRICK MAYORS!

VOTE FOR THE SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC ALDERMEN AND SUPERVISORS!

AND GET A CLEAN AND PROGRESSIVE COMMON COUNCIL AND COUNTY BOARD!

The people or the millionaires—
which shall it be?

You get the kind of government
you vote for, remember!

VOTE THE ENTIRE SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

There's one Grand Jury that will
get Rose—the Voters on Election
Day!

Scabbing on election day often
has serious consequences. Don't
vote a capitalist party ticket.

The rich man who "lendeth to
the Lord," is pretty sure to expect
usurious interest after death.

Ours is a government by the consent
of the voter. Don't vote your
consent for a crooked, capitalistic
non-labor administration!

Party loyalty so far as the capital-
ist parties are concerned, con-
sists in being ready to vote for a
yellow dog if the party puts him up
for office.

Will the *Free Press* now take back
all the things it said about Becker's
neglect of duty as an alderman?
Will the half breed Voters' League
recant what it said about his poor
showing as an alderman?

The *Catholic Citizen* of March
31 pays Comrade Arnold and the
Social-Democratic party a high
compliment. "There are those
who doubt whether Milwaukee can,
under present circumstances, stand
it if a printer should be elected
mayor instead of a lawyer or a
capitalist," it laughingly remarks.

The Rev. G. C. Porter, pastor of a
Presbyterian church at Laurel,
Neb., has given up his position and
will give his entire attention to the
Social-Democratic movement. In
a letter to his flock he says: Very
briefly stated, I resign because I
have become convinced that the
spirit of Christianity, as taught by
Jesus, involves Socialism."

The people need the moral up-
lift of Social-Democracy very
badly. The Cory case, the Schan-
dein case, the Taggart case, the
James H. Hyde French dancer
case, and the rest of 'em too nume-
rous to mention, shows the moral
degeneracy under the influence of
capitalism. Social-Democracy will
safeguard and protect the home.

The packers cannot be punished
it is now given out. They were
forced by the government to admit
that they had been law breakers and
thus under the "justice" of our capital-
istic judicial system they are
immune from further prosecution.
If they had been little fellows, men
who worked for wages and had
hard work to keep their families
from want, they would go to prison
quick enough!

Think of yourself and your
class when you cast your ballot on
Tuesday, Mr. Worker. If you
haven't before, now is a good time
to begin.

Always and every time use your
ballot to bring on better conditions
looking toward full economic jus-
tice.

Vote for conditions now that will
allow you to bring up your family
on a cash basis and permit you to
look your butcher, your baker and
your grocer square in the face.

Vote for a better civilization, vote
for the new social conscience and
for collective ownership of the
means of production.

Now for a city beautiful! The
election of the Social-Democrats
to the control of the city govern-
ment will mean a BETTER MIL-
WAUKEE, a HEALTHIER MIL-
WAUKEE, and a MORE BEAU-
TIFUL MILWAUKEE. We will
inaugurate a good many of our
measures for the people's benefit
to begin with, and we will be able
to do it without raising the taxes,
either. But we'll put the burden of
the taxes on the rich.

Listen, Comrades—do you hear
that distant roar? It is the thun-
der of a new time.

Do you see that red glow? It
is the breaking of a new day.

Comrades, we are on the eve
of one of the greatest changes the
world has ever seen.

Look about you! What do you
see? Concentration of capital, trust
problems, grafters, and corruption.

The old-time statesman—even
honest people among them—stand
amazed at the new problem. They
are powerless to solve it. It is left
to the Social-Democrats, who un-
derstand the economic develop-
ment, to solve this great question.

You have to solve it, comrades.
Do your duty!

It is an old superstition that a city
must grow uglier as it grows larger.
People congregate in cities to
LIVE. They congregate there to
enjoy the advantages of civilization,
but instead of that they get more
smoke, dirtier streets, and are over-
ridden by the capitalist corporations.

The traction ring of Philadel-
phia, which was crumpled along
with other rings in the recent mu-
nicipal revolution in that city has
come into collision with other and
hostile traction interests. The cor-
poration of the old ring is the
Philadelphia Rapid Transit Com-
pany. It got valuable franchises
from the old political ring, for sub-
ways, surface, and elevated lines
along every street in the city. Time
limits for completion were fixed,
with forfeiture as the penalty; but
these limitations were only orna-
mental, for the political ring was
always ready to extend the time—
The Public.

The same old game. The same
old partnership between capitalistic
rascality and the misrepresentatives
of the people.

As long as the chance to be
crooked remains, the capitalistic
interests will be true to their colors.
The life insurance companies are
not purified yet by any means. New
rascals are stepping into the old
shoes. Mr. Lawson now charges
in *Everybody's* Magazine for April
that the present administration of
the company have been actively
electioneering for proxies through
agents of the company, and that
they have not merely made re-
quests for proxies but have issued
policies for nothing for the first
year in return for the proxies of
the holders of those policies. He
says:

"From all sides I began to re-
ceive proof that insurance was be-
ing written far below normal rates,
and worse, that policies were actu-
ally being exchanged for proxies
without any cash consideration
whatever. This is a strong charge
to bring against men as prominent
as the officers of the New York
Life and Mutual, but I am not
exaggerating the facts."

Lawson shows in *Everybody's*
a reproduction of policy No. 3,768-
219 of the New York Life, issued
to a man named Hurlig of Malden,
Mass., who makes a sworn state-
ment that he was given this \$1000
insurance for his proxy.

It has remained for a young
lawyer without a practice, a fellow
named Boden, to sound the one
dirtiest note in the present municipal
campaign, and with the approval,
it would appear of the gentlemanly
Reformers.

The old parties are hard hit
when they must go to the gutter
instincts for campaign thunder.
Such slanders were also used in
Germany, and the people knew a
political trick when they saw one,
and the party kept growing until it
was a party of more than THREE MIL-
LION VOTERS.

The free last stories only reacted
on the heads of the dirty minds
that are their currency, and they
were glad to drop the "bombs."
Social-Democracy stands for

Both of the old parties are not
only incompetent for that great
work, but they are not even cap-
able to select honest men to office.

We find year in and year out that
no matter which capitalist party is
in power, the result is the same.
No matter which capitalist party
is put in power, there is more mis-
ery and poverty among the masses,
and more corruption and ignorance
among the officials.

It is your duty, comrades, to
make the change.

The two old parties do not differ
materially from each other. Both
are dominated by the non-produc-
ing class that depends upon exploi-
tation and plunder for subsistence.
This is even shown by the per-

sonel of their candidates. The
Democrats have again put up
David S. Rose, and the Republi-
cans even more shamelessly nomi-
nated a money-bag pure and
simple—Sherbie M. Becker.

Comrades, resent the insult.
Bring the last workman out to the
polls on Tuesday next. Let them
all join the grand army of the So-
cial-Democrats. Let them all vote
for William A. Arnold and the
whole Social-Democratic ticket.

Comrades, our party is not aim-
ing at a mere change of office-
holders—we want to change the
system. And our battle is not
simply a legal battle—a battle won
here is a battle won by the work-
ing class of the entire country.

Comrades, next Tuesday is elec-
tion day.

Each and every one should ap-
preciate the importance of this en-
gagement with the enemy.

There is no place in our ranks for
weary ones. He who has not the
moral courage to battle for his con-
victions, let him leave the army
instantly. His very presence is de-
moralizing.

Comrades, next Tuesday is the
day.

Each of you should feel that the
entire success depends upon you
and you alone. Each of you have
demonstrated your courage your
honesty, your class consciences in-
telligence in the past. Each one of
you must do so again on Tuesday.

Comrades, rally around the
standard of Socialism, on Tuesday
next. Rally around the Social-
Democratic party. Rally around
the party emancipation, of progress,
of humanity.

Comrades, I feel confident that
when the smoke of the battle clears
away, a victory will have been
achieved that will electrify the
country. A victory that will make
history. A victory that will put
Milwaukee on the map as the
most progressive city on the con-
tinent.

Victor L. Berge.

to your ballots. You have been
fooled too many times already! The
Social-Democrats have never broken
their pledges to you, and we be-
lieve they never will. But if their
candidates do betray their platform
pledges to you the party will make
them resign in disgrace. Don't
let the capitalist parties sell you out
again—tell 'em you've gotten your
eyes open.

As long as the Social-Democrats
keep their faith with you and re-
present your interests, GIVE
THEM ALL THE ENCOUR-
AGEMENT YOU CAN. Show
them that you appreciate the fact
that they do not make campaign
pledges and then break them after
the election is past.

VOTE THE SOCIAL DEMO-
CRATIC TICKET FROM TOP
TO BOTTOM! IT IS YOUR DUTY.
VOTE IT STRAIGHT, and
for the PRINCIPLES it stands
for: Democratic administration and
social protection to all!

VOTE THE ENTIRE SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

The cossacks, those inhuman
creatures who have almost whipped
the spirit out of a large share of
the Russian population and who
still hold the fort for czarism in
Russia, will be unseated in the Pen-
sylvania coal field! The coal
barons in control of the state and
local governments have provided
a mounted cossack police service
in anticipation of the coal strike,
and horrid scenes are in store for
America when these monsters are
let loose on the poor working
wretches of the coal districts.

It's a gay dance the coal barons
are leading the American people.
Their hands are at the throats of
all of us—we feel their strangling
grip every time we burn a shovel
of coal.

AND THEY ARE AT OUR
THROATS BY OUR CONSENT.
Do you remember how Louis
Roosevelt stepped in at the last
coal strike when the temper of the
American people was developing to
the point of doing something for
their own interests? The people
were getting ready to take the
deposits away from the robber
barons—lawfully, of course, and
plutocracy was frightened. The
strike had to be patched up be-
cause a great political uprising swept
the barons and the Roosevelts and
rest of our oppressors out of con-
trol.

Unless we greatly mistake the
trend of the times, the people's
war has not cooled down very much.
IT WILL ONLY BE A FEW
YEARS BEFORE THE PEOPLES
OF THIS NATION VOTE
SOCIAL-DEMOCRACY INTO
POWER, and one of its immediate
missions will be TO TAKE OVER
THE COAL FIELDS AND RE-
STORE TO THE PEOPLE
THEIR RIGHTFUL HERIT-
AGE!

WATCH AND SEE!

One thing that troubles the old-
party politicians is the fact that
that anti-graft wave has been
sweeping the country politically,
has not subsided and is due in Mil-
waukee next Tuesday. It will re-
spect neither master corporations
like Rose or a pliable corporation
tool like Becker. It will say with
Shakespeare, "A plague on both
your houses!"

Pittsburg has elected a Demo-
cratic mayor to beat out the Re-
publican ring that has made that
city a capitalistic cess pool these
many years. Still trying to fight
the Devil with fire!

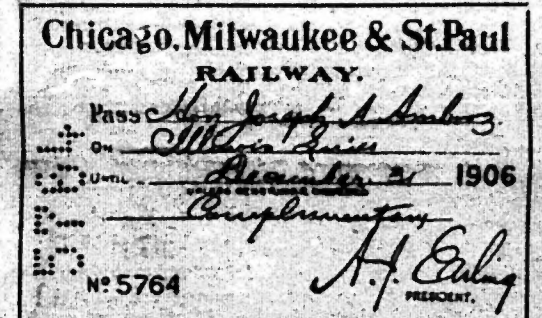
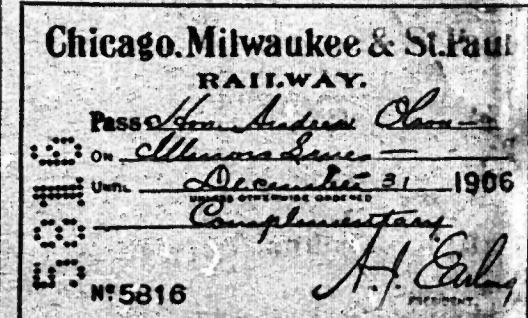
If the "Overgrown" Milwaukee
association had been smart Thurs-
day night, they would have taken
off their badges. The badge
showed how few outsiders there
were present!

There are over sixty-four thousand
and illegitimate children in the
United States. By its true
shall know the capitalist system.

VOTE THE ENTIRE SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

The Enemies of the People!

Do not Succeed in Bribing Socialist Legislators with Passes!



The above are photographic repro-
ductions of two passes that were
sent to the two Social-Democratic
members of the Illinois Legislature
by the president of the Chicago,
Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad. The
bribes were indignantly returned
by the two men, accompanied by a
letter from the Legislative Com-
mittee of the Social-Democratic
party of Illinois, at the request of
the two legislators, which read as
follows.

Mr. A. J. Erling, President C.
M. & St. P. R. R.—Sir:—Railroad
Passes Nos. 5764 and 5765 sent by
you unsolicited to Jos. A. Ambrose
and Andrew Olson, representatives

morality, for cleanliness of mind,
body and citizenship.

It's the capitalist system that
breaks up families and fills whole
districts with prostitutes.

In Milwaukee county alone there
are also 1,500 divorce proceedings
begun every year. About seven
hundred are settled before they go
into the papers and the remaining
six hundred are granted by the
courts.

It seems as if the clergy was
waking up at last to the enormity
of the capitalist system. Lately we
have received clippings from news-
papers from all over the country
in which preachers and priests are
coming out boldly on the people's
side. The rich men in the front
pews used to keep these men
silenced, but they are kicking over
the traces now, all right. The Rev.
Charles R. Brown of California
recently lectured before the Yale
college divinity students and
among other things he said:

"Are there not hundreds of
weary workmen, taxed steadily
beyond their time, receiving far
less than an adequate share of the
prosperity which they help to
create? Are there not hundreds of
tired clerks and bookkeepers, in-
sufficiently paid, working far into
the night—sometimes in hideous
little upper berths of offices put up
near the ceiling like swallows' nests
to save floor space and rent—to
reap profit for those who are liv-
ing in luxury, which is made pos-
sible for them by the lack of equity.
Is it right that a man should give
his whole life and the lives of his
children as soon as they are old
enough to leave school and work
for a bare subsistence?"
In the same way, the magazines

of the Socialist party in the Illinois
legislature are returned herewith.

The Socialist party is a party of
the working class, and these men
as representatives of that party,
seek only to further the interests
of the workers. We again wish
to inform you, that unlike the men
elected by the old political parties,
Mr. Ambrose and Mr. Olson are
not in the legislature to do the
work of the corporations. There-
fore they cannot and have no de-
sire, to do the work for which these
passes are intended as payment.

[Signed]

Legislative Committee,
Per Jas. S. Smith, Sec'y.

The Big Meeting!

SATURDAY NIGHT

WM. A. ARNOLD
WALTER THOMAS MILLS
SEYMOUR STEDMAN
HARRY E. BRIGGS
WM. F. THIEL

West Side Turn Hall

are beginning to realize that the
common folk are in need of the
truth. They are printing vast
amounts of radical matter exposing
the rotten spots of our modern capi-
talism. It is just the sort of in-
formation the people have been
anxious for, and the magazines
are mounting way up.

A poor people's exposition is the
latest. The exploiting class has had
its expositions, has exhibited its
success and shown how it is
prospering by means of the capi-
talist system. Now the other side
of the medal is being shown. Work-
ing people are showing how THEY
are prospering under the same sys-
tem! The first exposition has just
been opened in Berlin, Germany.
Of it the U. S. Consul writes:

"Everything that one naturally
connects with a great fair is strik-
ingly absent. The products of ten-
ement and sweat shop, small piece-
work evolved by the needy, are laid
bare to the public. Each exhibit is
dictated, nothing forth the pay for
each piece, those employed in making,
and the profit of the hour. If the object
itself does not particularly attract
the attention of the visitor, the de-

scriptive tag certainly appeals to
him. A few examples may be
given: A boy's suit of clothes, three
pieces, made for about 17 cents;
artistic wooden crucifixes, carved
at less than 2 cents an hour; 144
toy menagerie animals for 11 cents;
putting 1,000 needles for less
than 1 cent for the lot; mounting
hooks and eyes on 360 cards, with
24 pair on each, altogether 17,280
pieces, for 28 cents, and an ex-
treme case is that of a bit of lace
from Plauen worked at the rate of
about one-quarter of a cent an
hour. Progress and poverty are
nowhere more abruptly contrasted
than in this pitiful display. Ex-
pressions of amazement and sym-
pathy, manifested by the highest
classes in society, are echoed
throughout the German press."

VOTE THE ENTIRE SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

What is it the capitalist news-
papers have been feeding us on
these many years? Stuff about the
leading citizens, the leading busi-
ness men, the leading American
statesmen.

We cannot blame them for it, of
course, for they have been owned
by these leading fellows and run in
their interests.

But it has fooled us all right and
we got so that anytime any leading
rascal was back of a move we im-
mediately decided that the move
was all right, and were ready to
tear to pieces anyone who was un-
patriotic enough to deny it. And
these leading rascals made
the most of their chances until
things got so rotten that the smell
couldn't be kept in any longer and
then we had the high-finance and
hoarded-finance disclosures, and the

newspapers that had been tricking
us all along were forced to help
print that news also!

In local affairs as well, it has
been the leading citizen—that is,
the man with the most money—who
has been set up as the best judge
as to whether a thing ought to be
done or not. If a leading business
man said the city ought to do this
or that (and he generally had a
financial interest in the outcome)
that settled it. What the average
citizen thought amounted to nothing.

No wonder this city has been
plundered and mismanaged. No
wonder it costs double to carry out
any improvements, and no wonder
that the things done are the things
that will benefit a few and that
the things neglected are those that
the many need.

Instead of electing their own
kind to office, the people who toil
for their livings, have been select-
ing the "successful" fellows to re-
present them, and expecting that
they would serve the masses in-
stead of the classes. It has taken
them a long time to wake up, but
the steadily growing Social-Demo-
cratic vote shows that they are get-
ting their eyes open all right. In-
stead of sending foxy lawyers, real
estate crooks, and crooked con-
tractors to the council—men whom
the corporations can buy up—they
are sending men who stand for
ideals and honesty. It used to be
the boast of Sherburne S. Merrill, gen-
eral manager of the Chicago, Mil-
waukee & St. Paul railway, that
most of the members of the legis-
lature could be bought up by mere
pieces of paper—that is with rail-
way passes. Whenever the rail-
road wanted any legislation it got
it. The people were sold out by
the men they sent to Madison to
represent them. The railroads are
still buying up legislatures and city
councils. Before every election the
railroad people and the street rail-
way people and the other corpora-
tions send trusted men into every
ward and look the candidates over.
They pick out the ones they think
will be easiest to buy and then
spend money in the ward to elect
them. If the right kind of men
are not running they see that such
men are put in the field. They figure
that there will be enough people
foolish enough and sleepy enough
to help the crooks and heifers vote
them into office. In the present
campaign in Milwaukee all the cor-
porations have paid liberally into
the old-party campaign fund, and
besides have sent money into wards
where the Social-Democrats are
likely to elect, in order to try to
defeat the people's will. This has
been especially true of the Street
Railway company and the Gas
company.

Elsewhere we print a fac simile
of two railway passes which were
sent to two Social-Democratic
members of the Illinois legislature
by the president of the Chicago,
Milwaukee & St. Paul road, a Mil-
waukee leading citizen, Mr. A. J.
Farling. Such passes were sent to
all the legislators, but the Social-
Democrats were the only ones to
return the bribes and tell Pres. Far-
ling what they thought of him!
People of Milwaukee, look well

HONEST ANSWERS TO HONEST QUESTIONS.

By ALLAN L. BENSON, Detroit.

The question next arises whether a great political machine would spring up under Socialism; whether the government in control of all industries would socialize the votes of the workers engaged in those industries to build up a ring with which to plunder the people—a ring that would graft, enact bad laws and do even worse things than capitalist law-makers, judges and executive officers now do.

This point cannot be investigated to carefully. We have enough of grafting now. We want less, not more, and none if possible. Nor do we want more bad laws. On the other hand, we want to get rid of the bad laws we now have.

Socialists agree with you on all these points.

But we differ from you, possibly, on two other points. You may believe that graft can be destroyed, all the bad laws repealed and all of the necessary good laws enacted while private individuals continue to own all of the railroads, mills, factories and other implements with which workingmen produce wealth. If you hold this belief, we differ from you. We believe that so long as private interests are permitted to exist that can be helped by unjust legislation, the money of these private interests will always be sufficient to buy unjust legislation. At any rate, those who may believe as you possibly believe are in the majority at this time, and if it were possible for you to do what you believe you can do, you should have made some progress by this time. You have made no progress. Never was graft so widespread in this country as it is today. Never was it so difficult to get an important bill for the benefit of the people through the legislature or a congress. Never was it so difficult as it is today to get a legislature or a congress to repeal a law that enormously enriches a few persons by robbing everybody else. These are facts. They are generally admitted. You may differ from us as to why these facts exist, but you can hardly deny the existence of the facts themselves.

The other point upon which we may differ is this: You may believe that conditions would be as bad or worse under Socialism. You may say, as so many do, that men would have to administer the government even under Socialism and that Socialists are no more nearly honest, as a class, than are the men who compose the rank and file of the other parties. We admit all of this and reply that a strong financial incentive to be dishonest will corrupt many men and that if such incentives be removed, dishonesty, so far at least as concerns the making and enforcing of laws, will disappear. We propose, as has been said, to remove the incentive to dishonesty by removing the great private corporations that now cause legislative dishonesty.

But we propose to do more than this. We propose to make this a government of the people. We propose to make this government as responsive to the will of the people as a ship is to the movements of its rudder. It is not such a government now. Your lawmakers do not make the laws you want made. They do not repeal the laws you want repealed. And if they were to pass and the president were to sign a bill tomorrow that would permit the trusts to take even the shirt off your back, you could not help it. The bill would have become law and the shirt would have disappeared before you could do anything. And even then, what could you do? You could wait until the next election and elect new lawmakers. The new lawmakers might betray you, just as the old ones did—they frequently do. Or you could try to overthrow the government by force of arms, if you could find enough others who wanted to plunge the country into civil war. And you do not want war any more than we Socialists do—you are as peaceful as we are, and like us, want only to be permitted to live and work at peace and not be robbed of what you produce.

Now mind you, we contend that the public ownership of the means of production and distribution of wealth would prevent all of this kind of dishonesty by removing the incentive that now causes it. But we also take into consideration the fact that legislators who are not dishonest, and who have no incentive to be so, may yet be stupid; they may not realize what the people should have so well as the people themselves may know; or they make serious blunders by passing bills that the people do not want to become laws. And as for us, we do, that we shall have a government that shall mirror the desires of the people as faithfully as a placid lake mirrors the trees on its shore, we have provided for these possible occasional shortcomings on the part of those who will make our laws.

Here is what we propose: We would have the constitution of the nation, of every state and the charter of every city provide that the people, if they should so desire, might vote directly on bills that they wished to become laws and that when approved by a majority of the voters, such bills should become laws without any action on the part of the congress, state legislature, or municipal council.

We would also give the people the constitutional right to vote on any bill already passed by any legislative body and repeal it if a majority of the voters did not want the law to be enforced.

And we would furthermore give the people the right to recall any officer before the expiration of his term of office and elect a new officer in his place, provided a majority should decide to do so.

These measures are contained in every national Socialist platform and are known as the "Initiative," meaning the right of the people to pass laws for themselves if their lawmakers be negligent; the "Referendum," meaning the right of the people to have laws already passed referred to them to be vetoed or upheld, as the people might choose; and the "Right of Recall," meaning the right of the people to rid themselves immediately of an incompetent or a dilatory representative without waiting several years for his term of office to expire, during which time laws desired by the people might not be obtainable.

These Socialist measures would put the people right at the helm of the government. If your congress will not pass the law you want, pass it yourself. If your congress pass the law you do not want, repeal it yourself. If your alderman, your mayor, your state legislator, your governor, your senator, representative, or even your president persistently refuse to do what you elected him to do, put him out. And do not wait for his term of office to expire several years hence, put him out now.

What business man would run his business as you run your government, which is, or ought to be, your business? How long would he stay in business if he did? Think what you do! When you elect an officer, you give him your power of attorney to act for you for a certain length of time. During the term of office for which you elect him, any legislative act that he may legally perform binds you as much as if you had performed it yourself. Yet you do not know what he will do, and take no measure to prevent him from doing what you do not want him to do. You know some of the things that before election—when he wants your vote—he says he will do, but he does not always do as he says. And if he chooses to break faith with you, you are helpless. He may vote to give away a franchise that will blister the backs of your unborn grandchildren, but you cannot help it. The United States Supreme Court decided as long ago as 1819 that a franchise is a contract that cannot be abrogated by one party without the consent of the other, and though your legislator may have been bribed to betray you—as he frequently is—you have no redress. What is gone is gone and you cannot get him out of office before he can sell you out again unless you can go into court and prove his criminality—which is a most difficult thing to do.

No business man could run his business this way. When a business man hires a traveling salesman, he tells him what he is to sell and fixes the price at which it is to be sold. And if the traveling salesman disobey any of these orders, his employer may discharge him at any time. You do not tell your legislators what they may not buy for you, or what they may not sell that is already yours. Nor have you anything to say about the prices that they shall bind you to pay for what they buy for you, or the prices you shall receive for what they sell for you. They may give away millions of acres of public lands to the railroads, as they have often done—you can not prevent it. They may pass tariff laws that will compel you to pay to the trusts millions of dollars of profits—you cannot stop them. All you can do is to lie back and wait until their terms of office expire and then elect new officers—who will succumb to the same temptations that made the old officers betray you. Could any merchant long remain in business if he gave his traveling salesmen, cashiers, clerks and other employees power to buy and sell for him whatever they pleased at whatever prices they pleased and bound himself to let them do as they pleased for a term of years? A 40-acre farm could not be run this way. Yet that is the way you run the greatest business on the face of the earth—the United States government. And then you wonder that the business is not run in your interest. And you doubt if Socialists, with different methods, could run it better.

Consider next the Socialist measure known as the "Initiative"—the right of the people to enact laws for themselves if their legislators in city, state or nation will not enact them. See how this would work with reference to the national constitution. You may have noticed in these latter days that nearly everything of importance that the people want to do for themselves is either declared unconstitutional by the

supreme court, or the way to do it is made practically impossible by the difficulty of the method prescribed by the constitution. Witness the income tax law, which the United States Supreme Court declared unconstitutional in 1895. The common people, who contribute the hundreds of millions that are expended annually in support of the government, wanted the rich to pay taxes on their incomes. Congress was finally badgered into passing such a law. The rich, of course, immediately resisted it, declaring it to be unconstitutional. Nine supreme court judges were called upon to decide the question. All of the judges may reasonably be supposed to have been equally learned in the constitution. Yet the judges could not agree. Finally, five judges made up their minds that the law was unconstitutional and four clung to the belief that it was all right and should be enforced. It was currently reported at the time that one of the judges, who was at first inclined to support the law, changed his mind during the night at the last moment, but at any rate, the majority had their way and the law was swept aside.

Then again: No intelligent man doubts for a moment that if the people of this country could have their way United States senators would be elected by the people by direct vote instead of by the state legislatures. Time after time the national house of representatives has approved proposed constitutional amendments looking to this reform only to have them pigeon-holed by the senate. Yet the constitution provides that amendments to the constitution can be made in only two ways. One way is to have two-thirds of both houses of congress approve the proposed amendment and submit it to the vote of the legislatures of all states, three-fourths of which must approve it in order for it to become effective. The other way is for two-thirds of the legislatures to propose an amendment, which must, to become effective, be approved by three quarters of the legislatures, or by three quarters of the state constitutional conventions, provided congress shall decide to submit the amendment to conventions instead of legislatures.

The constitution-makers were afraid the poor would plunder the rich if it were made too easy for the people to revise the constitution. They desired to make it difficult to amend the constitution. They succeeded. The constitution has been amended 15 times. The first 10 amendments were submitted at the time the original constitution was put to a vote of the people. The eleventh amendment was submitted in 1794 and the twelfth in 1803. The last three amendments, growing out of the civil war were submitted in 1865—66—69.

The point is that in planning to make it difficult to amend the constitution, the fathers of our country overdid themselves. They could not see that in a century the rich would be so strong that the constitution, instead of aiming to prevent the poor from plundering the rich, should attempt to prevent the rich from plundering the poor. And being unable to foresee what has come to pass, they have left us in a perilous position. We can not change our own constitution without getting the consent not only of the house of representatives, but of two thirds of the senators that represent the plutocracy of the country. Or else we must get the consent of two thirds of the legislatures that elect these plutocratic senators and are therefore controlled by the same interests that control the senators. And the ominous feature of the whole arrangement is that with the exception of the two amendments noted, which were adopted soon after the original constitution and before the great corporations of today were in existence, no amendment to the constitution has ever been made except as the result of war.

See how much more sensibly they do such things in Switzerland, where they have the initiative. If a small percentage of the Swiss voters petition for an amendment to the constitution, the national legislature is compelled to draw up such an amendment and submit it to the people, who if they choose, may adopt it. If we had the same power, how long do you believe it would be before we would have constitutional amendments that would permit us to tax the incomes of the rich and elect our own United States senators? And if we also had the right to enact such other laws as congress would not enact for us, how long do you suppose it would be before we would own railroads, express lines, telegraph and telephone services and perhaps our coal mines? Other nations own all these things now. We do not because those who do own them also own our legislators and will not let the men whom we foolishly elect to office for them give us the laws we want. Yet the people of every little canton in Switzerland can make for themselves such laws as they want provided their legislators will not make them.

The Swiss people have another measure that the Socialists want this country to have—the "Referendum"—the power of the people to veto bills passed by their law-making bodies if they care to do so. In Switzerland, no law of a certain class vitally affecting the people can go into effect until three months after its enactment. In the meantime, the people have an opportunity to consider it and if there be a sufficient opposition, a small percentage of the qualified electors, varying from 5 to 14 per cent, may petition to have the law submitted to a vote of the people. Mind you, up to this time, the law has not gone into effect. The people hold the reins. If a majority approve the law it becomes effective. Otherwise it goes where our legislators now put most of our bills—into the rubbish heap.

In this country we are annually paying the railroads 32 times as much for carrying our letters as the railroads charge the express companies for carrying the same weight. We are also annually paying the railroads a rental for mail cars that amounts each year to the value of the cars themselves—and the cars last from 20 to 35 years. We are giving the trusts tariff privileges that enable them to ship their goods half way around the earth and sell them to foreigners for less than they charge us for them here at home. Would it have been different if the people had had an opportunity to vote on these laws before they went into effect, and veto them if they desired?

But Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts said in a speech at Brookline, Mass. in 1905 that it would be "un-American" to have the referendum in this country—the grafters always believe that it would be "un-American" for the people to have anything they really need. And there are others who argue that while the referendum is all right for a small country like Switzerland it would be entirely out of place in a large country like the United States. Such critics usually contend that the possession of the power to pass or repeal laws that others had passed, would result in a continuous series of special elections. We will consider first the objection that the principle of the referendum is un-American.

The New International Encyclopedia says: "In the United States, the referendum is employed, in one form or another, in every state and in every municipality. Very early in our history it became an established principle of American law that all state constitutions and proposed amendments should depend for their validity upon their ratification by the electorate at the polls." One of the most general uses of the referendum is to determine whether towns and cities shall permit the sale of intoxicating liquors. Another favorite subject of the referendum has been the question of the location of state capitals and county seats.

Oberholzer, in his authoritative work on "The referendum in America," says:

"In every state of the union, in the country, the city, the township and the school district we employ, and in New England have employed since the Revolution, this popular principle of the referendum."

The California legislature cannot pass a law appropriating more than \$300,000 without submitting it to a vote of the people. But it can pass laws that will permit private corporations to rob the people of California of millions without submitting such laws to a popular vote.

Colorado will not permit the area of a county to be reduced without the consent of the people of the county. But Colorado will permit a corrupt city council to give away to private corporations franchise rights that will cost the people millions.

Michigan will not permit supervisors of counties to borrow more than \$1,000 for the construction of public buildings or highways without the consent of the people. But it will permit the state legislature to pass laws that will enable the railroads to escape millions of dollars of just taxes—taxes that the poor are afterward compelled to pay.

Wisconsin will not permit, without the express approval of the people, the division of a county containing less than 900 square miles of territory. But Wisconsin will permit the city council of Milwaukee to give a grossly unjust franchise to a railroad and the supreme court of the United States will compel the people of Milwaukee to give to the railroad every dollar for which the franchise calls.

It is the same in the rest of the states.

And so far as concerns the objection that the possession of the referendum by the people would result in an endless series of elections, there is only this to say: Switzerland's experience proves the contrary. In nineteen years, the Swiss have only 20 times demanded the right to vote on measures that had been passed by their national legislatures,

14 of the laws being approved and six vetoed. The very existence of the referendum keeps a large number of bad laws from being passed. It is hardly worth while to pass a bad law when the people can vote it before it goes into effect.

So it is folly to say that the referendum is "un-American," or that it keeps the people who have it voting all the time. Socialists merely propose that we have the privilege of voting on the important bills as well as the unimportant ones. We are more concerned about the million dollar grafts than we are about the bonding of school districts to build school houses.

For the reasons that have been given, Socialists are quite sure that the ownership of all the mills, factories, railroads and every other thing collectively used in the production of wealth by labor would not result in more corruption, but in no corruption. And they are also quite sure that no combine of government officers could build up a political machine to perpetuate themselves in power while they plunder the people.

It is not however entirely to prevent corruption that Socialists advocate the ownership by the people, through the government of the great tools that modern workingmen use to produce wealth. We contend that if a small number of men own all the tools with which all other men must work, the tool-owners can compel the tool-users to accept in wages only a part of their product and give the tool-owner the rest. And as the tools of modern industry are too expensive for the men who use them to own, we propose that the workers own them collectively through the government and give no idlers a part of what they produce.

But it requires a book on Socialism to explain all this. And this is not even a pamphlet on Socialism. It is merely a little heart-to-heart talk with those who fear that Socialism, for the reasons given at the beginning, would result in more governmental corruption than we now have in the creation of a political machine that would outdo anything that capitalism has called into being.

Can You Blame Mr. Garfield?

The Government needs a capable managing editor. A great volume of evidence to that effect, including all of the President's messages to the present congress, might be brought into court; but the single instance of Mr. Garfield and the beef trust will suffice. Any good managing editor would have saved the commissioner of corporations from all his troubles. It should go without saying that Mr. Garfield is perfectly upright, well-meaning and a rather innocent young man. He was directed by Congress to inquire whether there was a beef trust. So he went out to Chicago and asked the packers—evidently arguing that if there was a beef trust they would be the first persons to know it. They assured him there was not; and he so reported—whereupon a whole population rose and called him names.

But that is only half, for now the packers are arising and calling him names, too. It appears from their allegations, that, in order to induce them to tell him they are not a trust, he promised not to divulge that they are a trust; and, although they are not a trust and there is no evidence anywhere of their being a trust, and the commissioner duly reported that they are not a trust, yet he somehow dishonestly let out the secret that they are a trust. One can't not well imagine a commissioner in a more unhappy situation.

A tincture of the worldly and cynical wisdom that is acquired in journalism would have sent Mr. Garfield, in the first place, not to the packers, but to their bitterest ene-

mies. Then, in a very short time, he would have had all the packers sitting on his doorstep, begging to be permitted to come in and tell their side of the story on his own terms. Many things cannot be done successfully in a gentle and conciliatory manner. — Saturday Evening Post.

Municipal Virtue.

The propriety of municipal ownership should be discussed not only from the standpoint of sound business principles, but also from the standpoint of sound political ethics.

From the standpoint of business efficiency, it is doubtless true that the success of municipal ownership depends largely on the intelligence of public opinion and the tone of public morality, and it is sometimes concluded that we must have these things proper before we should attempt public ownership. Yet it is a fact that private ownership is largely responsible, in the process of defending its privileges, for the low state of public morality and for municipal corruption; and if we are to wait for better things, we may have to wait forever, unless we strike at once at the sources of the evil, to-wit: the corrupting power of quasi-political corporations.

It is a subject for serious meditation whether the city, in abdicating certain quasi-public functions, like utilizing all the facilities of its streets—lighting, transportation, telephone service, etc, does not inflict a mortal hurt upon itself, does not set up in its halls of legislation and in its courts of justice, permanent influences of corruption: and does not entail for its citizens

a loss of public spirit and an abatement of political vigilance—qualities that are indispensable to the success of democratic government itself, to say nothing of the success of municipal ownership.—Catholic Citizen, March 24, 1906.

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Man was created one—single—to establish one common unit for the whole human race, that perfect harmony might prevail among all mankind, and that none should say to his neighbor, "I came from a better stock than you."—Tahmid.

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So the question simply is, how much richer will the rich get? Will any limit be set to these vast fortunes? Are billionaires to become as abundant in the twentieth century as millionaires were in the nineteenth? Why not? We have scarcely scraped the outside crust of our national resources. What our land and industries produce to-day is nothing to what they will produce, and our present population is but a small part of what it will be. By 1960, we are assured, the national wealth that seems so enormous now (say a hundred billions in 1905) will have increased to nearly a thousand billions, and by 1990 to over two thousand billions. Such are the conclusions of experts in financial statistics, who also say that under the present competitive system nearly two-thirds of this vast increase in our national wealth **WILL BE PERMANENTLY ABSORBED BY A FEW THOUSAND VERY RICH FAMILIES.** Which means that whatever may befall millionaires or grandsons of millionaires, the rich as a class will continue to grow richer, *much* richer, so that in thirty or forty years, under existing conditions, the five thousand richest Americans instead of having fifteen billions between them, as to-day, may have fifty or a hundred billions. And still the mass of the people, will have practically nothing, still

What it means to the rich is that they will find it more and more difficult to spend their enormous incomes and will set a faster and madder pace of luxury and extravagance. All the signs point that way, and, after all, what else can they do with their money. They cannot eat it nor hang it around their necks (except some odd-millions in trinkets) nor buy seats in heaven with it. There is nothing to do but flaunt it before the nation in palaces and gorgeous fetes, in costly laces and plates of gold, in furious follies that seem to cry out: "SEE, WE ARE RICH, RICH, RICH, and YOU ARE POOR." Nor can any man say what will be the echo of that cry!

Social-Democracy means that all those things upon which the people in common depend shall by the people in common be owned and administered. It means that the tools of employment shall belong to their creators and users; that all production shall be for the direct use of the producers; that the making of goods for profit shall come to an end; that we shall all be workers together, and that opportunities shall be open and equal to all men.

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To this end we pledge ourselves, as the party of the working class, to use all political power, as far as it shall be entrusted to us by our fellow-workers, both for their ultimate and complete emancipation. To this end we appeal to all, is sooner or later, inevitable. Capitalism is already struggling to its destruction. It is no longer competent to organize or administer the work of the world or even to preserve itself. The captains of industry are appalled at their own inability to control or direct the rapidly socializing forces of industry. The so-called trust is but a sign and form of this developing socialization of the world's work. The universal increase of the uncertainty of employment, the universal capitalist determination to break down the unity of labor in the trades unions, the widespread apprehensions of impending change, reveal that the constitutions of capitalist society are passing; under the power of inhering forces that will

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FOR OUR NEW READERS:
THIS COUNTRY is made up of working people, both industrial and agricultural, but is ruled by the capitalist class, which is numerically small. Being in control of the government, it runs that government in the interests of its class and against the interests of the working class, which is the people. We Socialists believe that the country should be ruled by the people in the interests of the people. That is why we established a government in the first place. We want the people to own it so that the political power can be used to begin the march to the co-operative system, called Social-Democracy. All the means of existence are now owned by capitalists, and yet the capitalist class makes up only about 12 per cent of the population, and a mere ONE PER CENT OF IT OWNS OVER HALF THE WEALTH OF THE NATION! The means of existence should be owned by the collectivity in order that the benefits should go to ALL instead of to a FEW.
Under the capitalist system the vast majority of mankind must sell themselves to the capitalist owners of the means of production and distribution in order to live—and to live miserably at that.
The nation owns the post office and everybody is glad that it does. It ought to own all the trusts so that all may enjoy the benefits.
It ought to own all the means of production as soon as such industries have become sufficiently concentrated.
To bring this about the people—the workers—must get control of the political power. The Social-Democratic party (known as the Socialist party in some states, and nationally) is organized to bring this about—this and the abolition of capitalism. It insists that the industrial class shall be the wealthy class, and the idle class the poor class—but it will, in fact, abolish the poor class altogether. The Social-Democratic movement is international, but we expect it to achieve success in the United States first, because the capitalist system, which we mean to uproot, is best developed here. To show you that your interests lie with us we print the following:
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EDITORIAL ETCHINGS.
The following ringing resolutions in regard to the outrageous capitalist conspiracy against the Western Federation of Miners, who are naturally hated by the lawless Rockefeller interests, were passed by the Milwaukee Federated Trades Council, at its last meeting:
WHEREAS, Brother Chas. H. Moyer, Wm. D. Haywood and Geo. A. Pettibone of the Western Federation of Miners have been kidnapped and secretly transported from home and friends, carried from their own state to another and are being held for alleged participation in the murder of ex-Gov. Frank Steunenberg of Idaho, although there has already been enough published by the capitalist press to show that this charge is a trumped-up one and due to hostility to the mine workers' organization, and
WHEREAS, Labor has suffered so grievously at the hands of the capitalist courts and the capitalistic tools on the bench that the prospect is not very bright for actual justice being meted out to the men under arrest, and especially as that most venal and outlaw force in America today, the Pinkertons, are active in the case and helped to prepare the "evidence," therefore
RESOLVED, That organized labor, as represented by the Milwaukee Federated Trades Council, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, sends this message of comradeship to the brothers now in the clutches of the capitalistic authorities, and bids them secure all possible legal aid in resisting the legal conspiracy against them, and not to stint themselves in this in the matter of cost, as organized labor will add to the large sum already sent on by such bodies as the United Mine Workers and others, if more be needed, and the Federated Trades Council pledges itself to help raise the additional funds should they be required.
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Monday—Have just been violently attacked in a magazine article entitled "Corporation Greed." All twaddle, just to make circulation. Finished organization of syndicate to take over the Jerkwater Southern railway for \$60,000,000. Will issue \$75,000,000 common and \$75,000,000 preferred stock AND WORK IT OFF GRADUALLY ON PUBLIC.
Tuesday—A fearful attack on me in morning papers. This craze of assailing the property interests of the country is becoming epidemic, but I suppose it appeals to the rabble and makes circulation. Put in morning with Senator Shark, who AGREES TO VOTE for railway rate bill IF I APPOINT HIS SON SPECIAL COUNSEL at \$25,000 a year. Made private agreement with two prominent shippers to give REBATES on certain shipments.
Wednesday—A public mass meeting last night to condemn my methods of finance. The people are going crazy about what they call the greed of the corporations. The Socialists are to blame for exciting the country to the state of frenzied hostility to the solid institutions. If it hadn't been for them we should have escaped this disastrous insurance muddle THAT HAS DONE SO MUCH TO DISTURB THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNTRY.
CORNERED THE SUPPLY OF COAL in the middle west and am in a position to make consumers COME TO MY OWN TERMS.
Thursday—Preachers have joined the hue and cry about me; say my money is tainted, etc. They're all notoriety seekers, eager to get into the papers. The country's gone mad on the subject. Had lunch with Judge Jones today and casually gave him the straight idea about the litigation against my railroad that comes up in his court before long. HAVE PROMISED TO SUPPORT HIM WITH CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AT THE NEXT ELECTION.
Friday—The Supreme Court has just decided that my new bonding project is illegal. Pretty soon the whole country will be infected by this disease of indignation against the PROPERTY INTERESTS, but as long as they don't fool with the tariff I'll not complain.
Was on the witness stand today, but said "I don't remember" to every question they asked me. It was none of the public's business, anyway.
Saturday—The grand jury is threatening to indict me. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE COUNTRY IS COMING TO. One of my weak-kneed directors called in this morning and says we've got only ourselves to blame for this violent clamor against us. He says we're trying to work a good thing to death and that we ought to go slow. I told him that he could go, and not be slow about it, either. HAD MY TAX ASSESSMENTS REDUCED from \$250,000 to \$85,000 today. What's the use of paying taxes when the money is sure to be stolen by the grafters in the treasurer's office?
Sunday—Went to church and heard a good old-fashioned sermon. TOLD THE PARSON HE COULD PUT ME DOWN FOR A LIBERAL CONTRIBUTION WHENEVER HE NEEDED IT, and he seemed greatly pleased. —John T. McCutcheon, in Chicago Tribune.

MILWAUKEE'S RESPECTABLE TAX-DODGERS!
WE CAN PROVE THAT THEY CHEAT THE CITY OUT OF THE VALUE OF THREE NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS EVERY YEAR, AND THERE'S THREE TIMES MORE THAT CANNOT BE PROVED.—THEIR OWN FIGURES EXPOSE THEM! DONE BY THE CONSENT OF THE VOTER WHEN HE CASTS A CAPITALIST PARTY BALLOT.
The Social-Democratic party had a solid reason for the plank in its city platform on taxation, which reads as follows:
"We demand, (3) That the common council shall take steps necessary to make the big corporations pay their rightful share of the municipal taxes, so that the money necessary to carry out the following reforms can be raised."
Social-Democrats usually prove their position, and here is the proof that there are tax-dodgers in Milwaukee; that they are the big corporations; and that the so-called "respectable people" are violating their own "law and order."
Some time ago the Social-Democratic party, anticipating the probable success of this Spring's campaign, appointed a committee of experts to investigate the tax dodging in Milwaukee. They have uncovered figures given by the corporations as to their property values; they have figures showing the taxes they paid; and they have disclosed a situation at which any person but a capitalist would blush.
Forty-seven concerns alone are proven to have cheated the city out of \$368,094.00, OR ENOUGH IN ONE YEAR TO BUILD THREE BIG SCHOOL BUILDINGS.
WHERE DO THESE FIGURES COME FROM?
In 1899 statistical agents of the U. S. government canvassed Milwaukee, going directly to the manufacturers for their information. They learned that the total capital in Milwaukee was \$110,363,854 for 3,342 establishments. They learned that the total value of lands, buildings and machinery alone was as follows:
Lands \$15,666,409
Buildings 12,500,681
Machinery 18,063,162
or a total of \$46,230,252
They also learned that the taxes paid for these establishments amounted to \$471,499.
The above facts, given to the U. S. government agents by the manufacturers themselves and printed in the government report of the committee, which in substance is as follows:
Assessed valuation for purposes of taxation in Milwaukee is supposed to be rated at 50 per cent of real valuation. This would have made the proper and legally honest valuation of these establishments amount to \$55,181,927.
The tax rate was 22.97 mills for each dollar of the assessed valuation. This would make a total tax on this valuation for these concerns of \$1,217,865. They actually paid \$471,449.
This means that these concerns swindled the city out of the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIX THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN DOLLARS in one year! This money is almost equal to the school bonds for the years 1901, 1902 and 1904! And at this rate these concerns have cheated the city out of over FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS (\$5,000,000.00) in the last seven years!
And the BIGGEST CON-

GLEANINGS FROM BUSY FIELDS.
mine losses have threatened to shut down the mines if organized labor gets a foothold in Bisbee.
Dates for National Organizers.
JAMES H. BROWER: April 1, Fort Worth, Texas; 2, 3, Tyler; 4, 5, 6, 7, Corsicana.
E. E. CARR: April 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, Tarrytown, N. Y.
JOHN COLLINS: April 1, 2, South Omaha, Neb.; 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, Omaha.
SOL FIELDMAN: Massachusetts, beginning March 29, at Adams, under the direction of the state committee.
GEORGE H. GOEDEL: Pennsylvania, under the direction of the state committee.
ARTHUR MORROW LEWIS: April 1, 2, 3, Yuma, Ariz.; 4, Enroute; 5, 6, 7, Bisbee.
GUY E. MILLER: April 1, 2, 3, 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.; 5, 6, Spencer; 7, Charlotte.
JOHN W. SLAYTON: April 1, 2, Albuquerque, N. Mex.; 3, 4, Enroute; 5, Guthrie, Okla.; 6, Enroute; 7, Memphis, Tenn.
M. W. WILKINS: Connecticut, under the direction of the state committee.
JOHN M. WORK: April 1, Enroute; 2, Novinger, Mo.; 3, Jefferson City; 4, Nevada; 5, Purcell; 6-7, Phelps.
J. L. FITTS: A tour of South Carolina and North Carolina, in the order named, is now being arranged for Comrade J. L. Fitts.
BEN HANFORD: Applications from Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and Indiana are now being filed for Comrade Ben Hanford.
JOHN M. WORK, organized a local with eleven members at Prairie View, Oklahoma.
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Prof. Raymond of the Chicago university is delivering a course of lectures at the Abraham Lincoln Center, corner Oakwood boulevard and Langley avenue, on the subject of the "European Capitals and their Significance."
Last Tuesday evening the professor lectured on Rome. During his lecture on the modern capital of Italy and the ancient mysteries of the world the professor asked this question of his audience: "Can any one in the audience give the name, or have they ever heard of a single individual prominent in either literature, science or art in Italy who was not a Socialist?" He waited for a reply and there being none, he added: "I have asked this same question every time I have given this lecture and have never yet received a reply thereto."
In his lecture on Rome Prof. Raymond exhibited a chart showing the growth of the Socialist party in Italy in recent years. He also showed the picture of Ferri and other prominent Italian Socialists.—Chicago Socialist.
The capitalist papers all over the country are much disturbed about Joseph Medill Patterson's declaration for Socialism. The Boston Herald, for instance, after editorially branding as "a quite grotesque assumption" Mr. Patterson's idea that the toiling masses would like to have an opportunity to enjoy art, music and education and ought to have that opportunity, bitterly laments that "so much of Joe Medill's money went to the education of a grandson who wants to 'give his life' to the chasing of such a chimera." If Patterson had been content to spend his life in chasing fast women instead of social "chimeras," our Boston contemporary would not have had a word to say about the waste of Medill's money, of course.—New York Worker.
The Campbell Fund.
To get an innocent man out of the clutches of the capitalistically owned law in Tennessee. May Beals writes as follows: Pittsburgh, Pa., March 3, 1906.—Dear Comrade: Last night I spoke to the steel workers and they gave between four and five dollars for the Campbell fund. I don't remember the exact amount, we tried it over to the secretary to send to you. The fine is one hundred and fifty-eight dollars. I enclose

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The Milwaukee Social-Democratic Platform.

The Social-Democratic party is the American expression of the international movement of modern wage-workers for better food, better houses, sufficient sleep, more leisure, more education, and more culture.

Under present conditions the wage-worker is always dependent upon the man with means for an opportunity to work for a livelihood, and therefore is not free.

Political liberty alone has become inadequate; we must have both political and economic liberty. To secure this by the collective ownership of the means of production and distribution is the aim of the Social-Democratic party.

For the Public Weal.

In municipal affairs also the Social-Democratic party stands for every radical change that will bring the means of production and transportation into the hands of the people. It believes in self-government for the city; in a just and equitable taxation where the corporations bear their full share, in the consolidation of our city and county administrations, in the public control of our food supply in the interest of public health, and in the highest development of a reasonable public service. At the proper time it will introduce and carry out these and other measures. Social-Democrats are well aware, however, that Milwaukee does not enjoy self-government, and that as a rule no steps can be taken in that direction without an appeal to the state legislature at Madison. To secure self-government for this city and the right to acquire and manage public utilities will be one of the first efforts of our party.

Main Spring of Corruption.

The Democratic administration in the city hall, and the Republican rule in the court house have disgraced the fair name of Milwaukee. Their leaders have even gone so far as to attack the grand jury and the courts whenever an attempt has been made to unearth corruption. Those leaders consider the conviction of every political thief and grafter a covert personal attack upon themselves.

But corruption in our municipal affairs is not a new occurrence, and we call attention to the fact that it is to the corruptive power of capitalism, playing upon the venality, the uncertainty of the future and the business instinct of those who have made politics a business, that we owe the scandalous corruption of our government. By the average capitalist and business man the bribing of a politician is considered absolutely legitimate, if business requires it. We do not need to prove these points. They were proved before the grand juries.

Municipal Government and "Business" Principles.

A municipal government cannot have the same end in view as a private business. A municipal

government ought never to be conducted from motives of personal gain. The trouble is that too many municipal governments have been so conducted—and that is just the reason why we have had and still have graft investigations in our American cities, although all of them have "business" administrations.

The "Good Men" Superstition.

Nor does any intelligent man longer believe in the panacea of electing so-called "good men" to office. Plenty of "good men" have been corrupted by the bad system which they have tried to patch up and regulate. All high-sounding clamor by capitalist parties about business principles, "good men," etc., is simply a dishonest bid for votes and is dictated by capitalist class interest. Business corrupts politics.

Social-Democrats Have the New Social Conscience.

The Social-Democratic party goes to the root of the evil. Socialism will some day entirely remove the causes, and they will only disappear to the extent that we introduce Socialism. And the Social-Democrats, having this goal in view, possess the new social conscience. Of the many Social-Democrats elected in Germany, France, England and Austria hardly one has ever fallen by the wayside. We can also proudly point to the record of the Social-Democrats elected in this city in this respect—not even our enemies dare to deny their scrupulous integrity. The mere presence of a few Social-Democrats in the common council and in the county board has proven to be a stimulus to honesty and progress.

The Social-Democratic party, while a class organization of the proletariat, is to-day also the only party of high moral ideas, because it is in accord with the trend of civilization and with the necessities of the day.

It is not claimed that by winning an isolated victory in a city like Milwaukee we can have Socialism. But such a victory would be a step forward, a milestone on the way of human progress.

A Tremendous House Cleaning.

And first of all things it would mean a tremendous cleaning up of the municipal affairs of Milwaukee, such as no American city has ever seen before.

Our Demands.

In the light of the above facts, we make in this Spring campaign the following demands:

1. That the city secure the ownership and management of all public service enterprises as far and as fast as the state laws will allow. And where such ownership and management is for the time being impossible, we demand that no franchise be granted to any street or steam railway or telephone companies, except upon the following conditions, viz.:
 - a. That the entire property is to revert to the city without any compensation at the end of a specified period, or that the city shall have the right to take over at the actual value that part of the street railway, trackage and rolling stock or the equipment of the telephone company that is necessary for the operation of the same, within the city or county limits at any time when the city or county gets the power to buy, own and operate such lines and to issue the necessary bonds for that purpose.
 - b. That a guarantee be given that the rolling stock and the trackage, or the wiring and other equipment be kept in good condition. Furthermore, no overcrowding of the cars shall be allowed.
 - c. That the city get a certain yearly revenue from the company for the franchise while it is in operation.
 - d. That the eight-hour day shall be observed by the company in the operation of all lines, and the trade unions be recognized.
 - e. That every franchise approved by the city council or the county board must have the endorsement of a public referendum before it shall go into effect.
2. That the city shall regulate the price of gas. The city shall abolish the contract system as far as possible in all public work. Only organized labor shall be employed by the city, and that at an eight-hour day. Whenever contract work is unavoidable, the contractors shall be compelled to employ only organized labor.
3. That the common council shall take steps necessary to make the big corporations pay their

rightful share of municipal taxes, so that the money necessary to carry out the following reforms can be raised.

4. That the city shall provide work for its unemployed citizens. Besides the improvement of the streets, the city shall maintain a public coal and wood yard and public ice house; the coal, wood and ice to be sold to the citizens at cost—to provide against a coal famine and to protect the health of the people from impure ice.
5. That the city shall employ a number of attorneys to conduct just cases for the poor. The number of aldermen and supervisors shall be reduced, but they shall receive an adequate salary, so that they may be enabled to give their full time to the work. The fee system for justices of the peace and constables shall be abolished.
6. That free medical service shall be extended. The city to provide adequate hospital service free from every taint of charity. Also a public crematory which shall be free to those applying.
7. That the city shall erect a public bath in every ward for the benefit of the residents, and provide a system of street closets, such as are found in modern European cities. Plumbing and sew-

erage to be done in all dwellings by the city at cost, the same to be paid for in yearly installments.

8. That the city shall condemn all slum habitations, maintain public playgrounds, open-air gymnasiums and parks wherever possible, and furnish and plant and care for trees for all the streets of the city.
9. That free school books and adequate school facilities shall be provided. Principals shall be required to devote one-half of their time to instruction. The salaries of assistant teachers to be raised first, before those of highly paid principals. The large hall in each school building shall be available to residents of the district for public meetings of every nature.
10. That the city shall build a labor temple, to be dedicated to the business and amusements of the working people. Also that the city shall arrange at least one free concert each month during the winter, and in summer concerts to be given in every city park at least once a week.
11. That the city shall declare a public holiday on all election days, which shall be compulsory, and that a penalty shall be exacted from all employers of wage labor who shall ignore the order.

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ORGANIZED LABOR

Labor's Awakening!
The memorial presented to congress by the executive committee of the American Federation of Labor, calls attention to the fact that congress is always busy looking after capitalistic interests with never a thought of the people whose ceaseless toil makes this nation great. Following is the specification of grievances:

1. The eight-hour law has been abrogated in the Panama canal zone against the protests of organized labor.
2. Congress has refused to pass a law guarding workmen against the competition of convict labor.
3. The Chinese exclusion act is being violated, and Congress has refused to pass laws prohibiting undesirable immigration.
4. The ship subsidy act provides for compulsory naval service.
5. Congress has refused to pass a law correcting the evils of towing on the high seas.
6. The anti-trust and interstate commerce laws have been preserved so as to violate personal liberty of workmen.
7. Congress has refused to prevent government by injunction.
8. The House labor committee is "packed" against the interests of labor.
9. Government employees are not permitted to petition Congress, under penalty of dismissal.

The only reply Labor got to the above was a snub from the president and a lecture practically telling the petitioners to mind their own business.

Federated Trades Council.
Regular meeting of March 1906—Bro. Griffin in the chair, Bro. Witters, vice chairman. Roll call dispensed with.

New delegates seated from Marine Cooks and Stewards Union (new), Bakers, Brewery Workers, Steam Engineers 139, Steam Engineers 311, (new)

Grievance committee reported on the grievance of Wagon Workers against Independent Brewery. Bro. Hammann reported that Brewery had agreed to adjust the trouble, which they claimed was not brought about intentionally. Report received.

Building Section report. Reported that no-union sheet metal workers were being employed at the new Pabst restaurant on Grand Ave. Bro. Coleman gave the final report on the section's ball, which showed total receipts of \$285.30, total expenditures of \$204.50 and a balance of \$80.80. Report of section received.

Label Section. Pantke Hat Co. and the United States Clothing Co. were friendly to label goods. Tobacco workers asked assistance of section in reorganizing their union. Claim made that Mahler-Albenberg Co. was violating its agreement with the Garment Workers.

Executive Board Report.—Communication from Rochester Garment Workers showing up the labor-crushing methods of the Rochester Clothing Exchange was read and referred to label section. Board recommended that Aug. Rohm, the tailor, be placed on unfair list. The resolutions on the Western Federation of Miners outrage was approved and council asked to pass same. [See else-

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Campaign Hot Shots!

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Rose might explain, while he is doing so much explaining, why he did not have the union label on those portraits of himself surrounded by roses that have been staring people in the face for the past month.

Becker lives on dividends in various corporations held by his father, Washington, Becker, and himself, among others the Granite Ware Trust, the Kieckhafer child labor factory) and the Milwaukee Gas Light Co.—which sells us 15 cent gas for 80 cents! He never did an honest stroke of work in his life, has always bought his way with wealth which many a poor workingman's cracking back helped to produce, and he possesses the fickleness of youth and cannot stick to one thing long. After he got into the Council he neglected his duties notoriously. Everything he has taken up has been a plaything—stereoscopic lectures, politics, running to fires, chasing after chorus girls, and so on. He is callow, immature, out of balance, kiddish. He does not represent the sturdy, reliant young manhood of the city. His appeal for the votes of workers is an insult to the working people.

VOTE FOR ARNOLD AND THE ENTIRE SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC TICKET! VOTE FOR THE PRINCIPLES OF SOCIAL-DEMOCRACY.

The only time during this open Winter that the temperature really went down below zero was at that "Greater" Milwaukee "mass" meeting at the big West Side Turner hall, Thursday night!

Becker is one of the slimiest little politicians we have yet struck. Here he comes out, in the face of his rotten gang record in the council and says he is for grand juries and the work of the district attorney in rooting out the grafters.

Becker's most active work in the council was in voting to protect some of his dive-keeper friends and cronies when the chief of police wanted to have their licenses revoked because they had gotten too rotten even for Milwaukee's rotten red-light district.

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Ald. Ziemer of the Seventeenth ward enjoys the distinction of having been in the council only a short time when his livery was doing business with the city contrary to law. Besides this his record has been exceedingly bad and misrepresentative.

Becker isn't as rich as the Rockefeller baby, but he isn't much less a baby. When Ald. Stiglitz slapped his face he rushed away and swore out a warrant. Every one smiled pityingly, it looked so much like a little boy running to his mother to protect him from an imaginary danger.

Reform deals are no better than any other dirty political deals. In a Republican meeting in the Nineteenth ward the other evening the Chairman gave it out flat that the Republicans would vote for the Democratic candidate for justice of the peace, an old time political monkey-worker named Mergener, in spite of his record.

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Does your memory run back to the time only a few months ago, when the newspapers were talking about Becker being asked to resign because he was neglecting his duties as alderman to such an extent that First ward official business was blocked? We've had one absentee mayor, the next one must be a man who will attend to business. Vote for Arnold, if you want an eight-hour mayor.

The *Free Press* showed how insignificant it considered Becker when it published a full page symposium on Sunday, July 16, of last year under the heading "What I would do if Mayor," with Becker among those overlooked. Arnold was there, and Fiebrantz and even some you'd scarcely think of—but Sherbie wasn't even thought of, although just the day before the *Free Press* had an item about Becker continuing talking about himself as a mayoralty possibility.

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It is about time that the decent people of the Fifth Ward cut loose from aldermen who vote with the gang and get real representatives. They ought to bear in mind that give-away of one of their streets to the Allis Company for nothing—so far as the city went—and that the Allis people never used it for the purpose promised but have now put it on the market to enrich their own pockets. Pretty cool business, eh? The city giving streets to corporations for them to turn into cash! Ever hear of the city giving a street to a workingman to make money out of? We never did. And how about that fifty thousand dollars held in trust for the ward by the city for the purpose of a park and market? Its time you had aldermen looking out for YOUR interests instead of trying to please the big individuals. Vote for Handley and Cornielle and get MEN as aldermen!

Gangster Luedtke is running for alderman again in the Ninth ward! He is one of the chief corporation tools in the present council, if his vote on corporation measures is any indication. He skulked out to Madison, and paid his own fare or had somebody pay it for him, to work in the interest of certain corporations against legislation in the interest of the people. And the people of his ward should remember how he sneaked through that give-away of an alley to the scab Atlas bread factory before any Ninth Warder knew what he was up to. Vote for Baumele and Ries and the entire Social-Democratic ticket.

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It is now coming out how Becker got his nomination paper filled—and there's an element of fraud in it, of course! One day the manager of Gimbels' store rushed round among the clerks and ordered them in that bossy way some owners of men have, to sign a paper that he spread out before them, and to "be

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quick, please, for I've got to make the rounds in a hurry." And they signed, just as well behaved owned-men usually do. Not having had a chance to read what they were signing they supposed it was some trivial matter and forgot about it the next moment. Some days after it leaked out that the list was Becker's nomination paper—and the law requires that such papers shall be signed only by persons who support the man they sign for! Well they were a pretty mad lot, under their breaths, especially several Social-Democrats who were among those imposed upon. We have yet to hear of any campaign methods on Becker's part that are above the "dirty politics" level.

The pocketballot which the people of Milwaukee will be called on to vote for or against in Tuesday's election, is a plan by which the Australian ballot can be made absolutely honest. In Milwaukee where we have voting machines, the pocket ballot will never be used, but out in the state the Australian ballot is used and all Social-Democrats should vote to endorse this new form of it so as to checkmate

the politicians and their "endless chain," and other ballot frauds. Milwaukee Social-Democrats will do well to vote for it, so as to overcome the opposition to it out in the state on the part of crooked politicians.

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at 2:30 P. M.

One of the notable developments of the past week has been the reception accorded Becker at the factories where he attempted to make noon-day speeches to the men. The reception was icy, and at the end of each effort he was mightily glad to be handed back into his coach by the footman and get away as

fast as possible. And we must make mention of that coach. Imagine the noon hour whistles blowing at a factory and the workmen rushing out to get through with their bite to eat in order to hear a Social-Democratic speaker. A few fellows, mostly out of curiosity, loiter at the spot where Becker is to speak. Finally there is a clatter and round the corner comes the gorgeous, glistening black coach, with polished silver ornaments and mettlesome black horses bearing the most showy and expensive harness a young man with inherited dough can secure. On the box sit the driver and footman. The coach makes a sensational and dashing stop. Down tumbles the liveried footman. He opens the door for the rich idler to make his appearance and out steps Becker, ragged out to kill and having a swell, upholstered overcoat to top out with. He begins to recite the speech that had been prepared for him and there is a restless silence. Occasionally a workman or two groan at some statement they doubt, and then he is through and some one sets up the cry "Three cheers for Arnold," and while the noise is still ringing in his ears, Becker

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is handed back into his coach by the obsequious footman, and away goes the spoiled youngster, wondering if out of those who heard him he will get a single vote! But later in the day his childish vanity is appeased, for the evening papers print what he said and make it appear that he actually made a hit with the workmen. Contrast all this with the tumultuous ovations that have met the Social-Democratic candidates and speakers all through the factory districts day after day, and then try to believe that the capitalist parties still lead the toilers by the nose if you can!

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AT THE THEATERS.

DAVIDSON.
Milwaukee is to have E. H. Sothern and Julia Marlowe for four performances instead of for an entire week as was originally announced. The dates and the arrangement of repertoire will be as follows: Thursday, April 5, "The Taming of the Shrew"; Friday, April 6, "Twelfth Night"; Saturday, April 7, "Romeo and Juliet" at the matinee, and "The Merchant of Venice" in the evening.

ALHAMBRA THEATER.
Charles E. Grapewin, supported by Anna Chance, the St. Cecilia Quartette and a large company, comes to the Alhambra commencing Matinee Sunday in George Hober's comedy with music "It's Up to You John Henry." The story has to do with the troubles of a slazy young man, who indulges in prevarication to induce his fiancée's uncle, a wealthy soap manufacturer, to consent to his marriage. The complications in the play are highly amusing. The comedy is of the genuine wholesome kind and the dialogue crisp and epigrammatic. The usual matinees and the usual popular prices.

BIJOU THEATER.
Bickel, Watson and Wrothe at the head of a big spectacular musical comedy called "Tom, Dick and Harry" will be the offering at the Bijou beginning Sunday afternoon. Bickel, Watson and Wrothe are beyond question the greatest musical buffoons and exponents of low comedy now before the public. It was in the sawdust ring that they originated their famous "comedy band," which is the drollest and most laugh-provoking specialty ever enacted on any stage. From the present prospect the patrons of the Bijou are evidently in for a genuine treat in an excellent entertainment way.

PABST THEATER.
The coming of Mme. Johanna Gadski to the Pabst theater on Friday evening, April 6, for a song recital will be one of the most important musical events of the season. The programme for her recital includes arias from her famous operatic roles from Mozart to Wagner and songs in all languages which will range from the purely classical lieder of Beethoven, Schumann, Schubert, Brahms and Franz to popular modern songs. Seats for the recital will be placed on sale next Tuesday.

CRYSTAL THEATER.
Mlle Florine with her group of Lions, Pumas and Leopards will be the great attraction at this little theatre next week.

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SUNDAY EVENING!
WALTER THOMAS MILLS
SEYMOUR STEDMAN
W. R. GAYLORD
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LINCOLN HALL
Grand Ave. and Sixth St.

A South Milwaukee Trick.

William Buckler, a man who scabbed in the Machinists' strike at the Bucyrus Shovel Works, in South Milwaukee in 1901, is a candidate on an old party ticket in that city this Spring, and the way he got his nomination at the Primaries is about what might be expected from a man with his record. Just before the Primaries, Buckler, hearing that his record was likely to be brought up, came to this city and called on Business Agent Fred. Wilson, of the Machinists and asked him to say nothing about his past conduct. He admitted that he had scabbed in 1901, and was told by Wilson that he, Wilson, was not in the suppressing business. What does Buckler then do but go back to South Milwaukee and proclaim that Wilson had vouched for his record and that he had said he was all right. The machinists claim that the Bucyrus people are back of Buckler, and things are getting to such a pass in South Milwaukee that a good strong Social-Democratic organization will be built up in a few weeks, as a beginning of a triumphal march of labor to the conquest of the administration of the town in which labor is the great majority of the population. The town needs cleaning up.

TUESDAY EVENING!
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The Flatz Meetings.
Saturday, March 31, Jewish Section, open air meeting, 6th and Vliet streets. Speakers:—Tom Feeley and John Moser.
—West Side Turner Hall, 4th st. between State and Prairie sts. Speakers:—Walter Thomas Mills, Seymour Stedman, Wm. A. Arnold, H. E. Briggs.
—Frank Zielinski's hall, 362 Lincoln ave. Speakers:—A. J. Welch and S. M. Scholowski.
—Joseph Zandree's Hall, Port Washington Road and Gibson Cor. Speakers:—William Meller and Wm. Alldridge.
—Wm. Zastrow's Hall, cor. Hawley and Blue Mound Roads. Speakers:—F. W. Rehfeld and E. D. Deuss.

Sunday, April 1, 2:30 P. M.
Bruegger's Hall, 12th ave. and Washington st. Speakers: W. A. Arnold, H. E. Briggs.
—2:30 P. M. Gutzlaff's Hall, Teutonia and Clark. Speakers: Victor L. Berger and Seymour Stedman.
—2:30 P. M. Newmann's Hall Pearl and Mitchell sts. Speakers: E. T. Melms.
—2:30 P. M. Fenske's Hall, 29th and Clybourn sts. Speakers:—Wm. Alldridge, Tom Feeley, F. W. Rehfeld.
—2:30 P. M. Nat'l Hall, Grove and Nat'l ave. Speakers:—W. A. Arnold and W. R. Gaylord.
—3:00 P. M. Lincoln Hall, 6th and Grand ave. Speakers:—W.

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Rose's dirty attack on the grand jury was only what was to be expected. The grand jury did its duty—which is more than Rose ever thought of doing!

The North Side Women's Club will hold a Grand Prize Cinch and Social at Rader's Hall on Saturday evening, March 31, 1906. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

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A mayor with a valet! Ugh! Even Rose cannot be charged with that.
Yes, how about that Anarchist speech in Arizona, Dave? If you really expect to frighten the business interests, why not get it out on a leaflet for a last day-of-the-campaign screamer!
The *Free Press*, March 23, said "Becker's record in the council is worth more than promises." Well, what do you think of that! Has the *Free Press* no shame? Or does it want to lose the confidence of its readers?
Let's see! Wasn't it labor-hater Guy Goff who ran for mayor on the "respectable" platform two years ago? And he was also a gold brick of the Becker sort.
When it comes to campaign lying, lying by reformers is no better than any other kind. Worse, in fact, because it comes from hypocrites.
"Firebug" Becker voted against submitting the railroad franchise to the people at the coming election. He didn't want the people to have a voice in the giving away of their own streets! His father, the Twelfth street car magnate never did either.
Ugh! Think of the nerve of the Democrats in again daring to put before the people for city attorney the unspeakable Rungel! Without a real law education, without common sense or common high-mindedness, Rungel has disgraced the office these several terms and been merely a handy-man to furnish "opinions" to suit the "vested interests" and give the gang in the council the chance to vote wrong on measures, where it has been a case of the people versus the corporations, and escape the condemnation they have deserved.
Good evening, brothers, the next time you buy tobacco try a 5c package of Schmitt Brothers' "Original"—It's fine.

Incompetent, Childish and a Corporation Tool!
What the Free Press Said on its Editorial Page About "Sherby" Becker only a Few Weeks Ago!
Its Reckless Flop.

CRUEL TO GIVE IT AWAY!—BUT THE PEOPLE SHOULD KNOW IT!

PAMPERED SHERBIE'S NEW TOY!
Free Press, Jan. 18, '05:—
Perhaps it is just as well for Ald. Becker to be a candidate for mayor at this time. He will be tired of it by time some one is nominated. Becker for mayor! Zip, boom, fizzle!
Jan. 19, '05:—
Ald. Becker has not withdrawn as a candidate for mayor.
Jan. 25, '05:—
There were a lot of "I told you sos" in the city hall yesterday, when it was learned that Ald. Becker's driver had been killed. [Thomas Clark, driver for Becker, was kicked on the head while accompanying the alderman to a fire at the County Hospital, Jan. 25, '05. The reins became entangled when 100 yards from the hospital gate and he leaned over and was kicked by the steel shod shoes, dying 5 minutes later. Becker was not cured of running to fires by this, and a few months later another driver of his was injured.]
Jan. 27, '05:—
Now that Ald. Becker's drive has been buried it is to be hoped that another is not going to be given opportunity for a similar fate.
Feb. 4, '05:—
Aldermen have been called false-alarm statesmen. 'Ald. Becker is a fire-alarm statesman.

BECKER'S PERSISTANT NEGLECT OF DUTY.
Feb. 13, '05:—
There is a letter in the city clerk's office for one S. M. Becker. It has been there over three weeks.
Aug. 27, '05:—
Probably Ald. Sherburn M. Becker believes it to be more important to scurry around the street announcing his candidacy for mayor than to attend the council meetings and provide for improvements in his ward.
Aug. 30, '05:—
If Ald. Sherburn Becker will spare a few minutes from his automobile next Monday and attend the council arrangements may be made to pave Farwell avenue and Brady street.
Sept. 1, '05:—
Among the many pleasant surprises yesterday was that occasioned by the presence of Ald. Sherburn Becker at a council meeting. That fire-alarm boxes were being tested probably was the explanation.
Sept. 3, '05:—
Ald. Sherburn Becker says that he did not attend the council and committee meetings because it is better to have paving work done in the cool weather. That isn't bad.
Sept. 16, '05:—
Friends of Ald. Sherburn Becker are confident that Ald. Smith's proposed resolution providing that any alderman who is absent from three consecutive meetings of a committee of which he is a member shall forfeit membership in the committee will not pass.
Dec. 7, '05:—
"If you were here oftener you would know what we are talking about," Ald. Koerner told Ald. "Sherbie" Becker in the committee room yesterday.

A FRESH KID.
Dec. 9, '05:—
It is to laugh! Ald. "Sherbie" Becker, attending a committee meeting for the first time in many moons, thinks aldermen who do not attend (when he wants them to) should be heavily fined!
Dec. 22, '05:—
Ald. "Sherbie" Becker appeared at the city hall yesterday. It was a bad day for automobilists.
A SPECIAL MEETING HAD TO BE HELD!
Dec. 5, '05
Ald. "Sherbie" Becker did not attend yesterday's special session

of the council, which might not have been necessary had he attended the last meeting of the finance committee and signed the report, which might then have been disposed of last week.
FREE PRESS' WITHERING SARCASM!
July 28, '05:—
When a call of the house was ordered on Monday afternoon, the sergeant at arms, after scouring the streets of the city, could produce nothing but Ald. Becker.

THE CORPORATIONS OWN BECKER.
April 30, '05:—
There is some satisfaction in knowing where Ald. Becker, First ward, stands on the light plant proposition, even though it is for the street railway he comes out.
May 1, '05:—
What has caused Ald. Becker suddenly to consider the street railway's offer to light the streets, of such great importance?
May 3, '05:—
Ald. Becker, First ward, has made a rather peculiar start for a young man who hopes to become mayor next year.
April 5, '05:—
Why did Ald. Sherburn Becker, First ward, leave the council meeting just before the vote on the viaduct bond issue? There was no fire-alarm recorded.
April 25, '05:—
If Ald. Becker sends out postals explaining the facts, instead of the lies of the troily organization connected with the lighting plant project, he will find the sentiment for the plant on the increase. [Becker played a crafty corporation trick by not sending the postals to voters in his ward that he knew favored a municipal plant.]
May 7, '05:—
Ald. Sherbie Becker went to Chicago Friday to watch the riots. He probably wants to get an idea of what may happen to him if he remains a member of the street railway crowd in the council.
May 13, '05:—
The truth is out at last! Ald. Sherburn Becker, First ward, is to be the mayor's guest on his next trip to Arizona.
[In July, 1905, Mayor Rose told the people of Pittsburg that Milwaukeeans had a "great voice" in the government of the city.]
Free Press, July 27, '05:—
There is no question that the people of Milwaukee have a "great voice." The difficulty is that the mayor and some of the aldermen have a great deafness—so great that the "great voice" of the people does not reach them. Take Sherbie Becker. He thought he heard the "great voice" at the time of his election but he was not sure. So he sent out postal cards asking his constituents what they said. It is believed that they told him again. But Sherbie is a trifle hard of hearing. He put his ear to the ground a second time and sent out another batch of postal cards. Still he did not hear distinctly. There are other aldermen who appear to be absolutely deaf. They do not believe that the "great voice" has spoken. Perhaps they may hear it at the next election. It may tell them to stay at home.

BECKER AN ARTFUL DODGER.
Nov. 14, '05:—
As soon as some one announced a test vote on the lighting question, Ald. Sherburn Becker left the council meeting yesterday and did not again appear.
Nov. 28, '05:—
Ald. Sherburn M. Becker attended the council meeting yesterday to introduce an ordinance regarding dogs, but he kept in the rear of the room until the lighting contract matters were disposed of.

BABY BECKER'S SPANKINGS.
May 16, '05:—
Ald. Becker amused himself in the council yesterday by interrupting speakers until Ald. Mallory mentioned something about "a calf." Then Becker subsided.
May 17, '05:—
Having been referred to as a calf it is in order for Sherbie Becker to challenge Ald. Mallory to a duel.
[On Dec. 28, '05, Becker and Stiglbauer began calling each other names at a committee meeting. Stiglbauer called Becker "An overgrown baby" and Becker replied by referring to Stiglbauer's record. Stiglbauer slapped Becker's face and Becker fled in fright and swore out a warrant for assault and battery.]

WHAT THE FREE PRESS SAID LATELY!
Feb. 4, '06:—
If Alderman Becker be elected and he is at the city hall as much the next four years as he has been in the past two, his attention to duties will be no innovation.
Feb. 9, '06:—
If candidate Becker has omitted anything in the list of things he stands for, suggestions may be sent to his headquarters.
Feb. 6, '06:—
Being a candidate works wonders. Sherbie was around doing the grand right and left, and Ald. Fiebrantz voted for the eight-hour clause in the franchise.
Feb. 7, '06:—
A comparison of the platform to appear in "Becker's Bulletin" and the record of its publisher in council proceedings would prove instructive to voters.
Feb. 10, '06:—
"Becker's Bulletin" is amusing to those who have been voting for the thing in his platform, and in doing so for two years have been voting against him.
Feb. 11, '06:—
"In the meantime there had budded -
"Young-Man-of-Much-Wampum," surely
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Feb. 12, '06:—
If subsequent issues of Becker's Bulletin do not refer to a long term lighting contract, the publisher's opinion on that may be found in the council proceedings.
March 3, '06:—
"Buster Becker" missed the chance of this campaign when he did not 'bust' the deadlock on lighting plant sites Thursday. It is remembered that he voted for the Fleming site.
March 16, '06:—
Sherbie's flop on the light plant site will be another 'wobble' which he can explain in his speeches.
GETTING READY TO FLOP!
Feb. 16, '06:—
A straw vote of all the principle cities except Milwaukee assures Sherbie that his election is a cinch.
March 25, '06:—
Those who thought that Sherbie is a joke are beginning to confess that he is a pretty good joke.
But don't blame the poor *Free Press*. It is doing the best it can under the circumstances. Out West in rough days of Deadwood there was a sign fastened on the organ in a church, reading: "Please don't shoot the organist. He's doing the best he can."

But any man who votes for Becker, puts himself in the imbecile class. Vote for Arnold and a clean, nature, Social-Democratic administration of the city.
"Greater Milwaukee" Fizzle.
The "Greater Milwaukee" outfit, made up of hungry real estate men and down town department store managers, with a few hungry little lawyers thrown in, held a great mass meeting at the West Side Turn Hall Thursday night with an audience of less than 150! In order to get even these into the hall, the promoters of the frost had a brass band outside the door playing away for dear life. Outside of those interested the audience was made up of stragglers from the street, and several Socialists who wanted to see the fun.
It was so chilly in the hall that even the paper palms with which the place was profusely decorated became frost-bitten!
During the day and the day before the entire city had been loaded with postal card invitations, in an effort to assure a large crowd, but they only got empty chairs for their pains.
Chairman Espenhain said that even if the crowd was small, good goods came in small packages. Then George W. Peck took the stage to do some funny stunts. He said he joined the association because he was a joiner. Then he told how he and a Milwaukee advancement association of a former day went to Columbus, O., to get the G. A. R. to hold its meeting in Milwaukee. "We wouldn't have succeeded," he said, "only we went at it right. We got good and drunk." A G.A.R. man in the audience looked indignant at this insulting claim, but held his peace. Mr. Peck lauded Dave Rose's scheme for a city street department and said blandly that it was no more than fair for the outside wards to be taxed to keep the downtown streets in repair!
Moses H. Brand, a real estate "patriot" who has played a disreputable role in the recent franchise grafting in the common council, he being in the pay of the Milwaukee & Northern, it is alleged, and yet posing as a patriotic and disinterested citizen, and calling meetings of a North Side Advancement Association, then told about railroads. He bragged about the Milwaukee & Northern having a three-cent fare provision, but was very careful not to give the Social-Democratic aldermen the credit for it. He wanted resolutions passed commending Mayor Rose and the alderman for the franchise work.
A young lawyer named Worden said he used to live in "overgrown Chicago," which he thought was a very disreputable and uncivilized place—he was careful not to refer to an overgrown Milwaukee—and told of a school girl in that city who recited from her geography

that "Milwaukee has a large and thirsty German population," she having gotten mixed on the word "thirsty."
Last on the program was a man named McNeill from Sheboygan, and about the only thing he said was that there was an impression outside that Milwaukee people are about the easiest to be separated from their money by fake schemes of anyone in the state!
It was certainly a funny meeting. And if anyone had any doubts of the inflatedness and the artificiality of the "Greater" Milwaukee boom, Thursday night dispelled it. It has simply been an artificial boom raised by pocket-book patriots in order that Milwaukee people might be flimflammed out of some valuable franchises for nothing.
The people are sobered down now, the boom is busted. Now let the people VOTE for a BETTER Milwaukee. A Milwaukee that will grow beautiful and decent and inhabitable for the people as it grows larger!

COMRADE MARTIN MIES desires to announce to the readers of the *HERALD* that he will remove his tailoring establishment from 784 Kinnickinnic Ave. (Bridge) to 872 Kinnickinnic Ave. 3 blocks south, on or about April 5th, 1906. He will be pleased to see his former customers there.

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